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BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

Appellants: Junpei OGAWA et al.

Title: HIGH-STRENGTH CONNECTING ROD AND METHOD  
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Under the provisions of 37 CFR § 41.41, Appellants submit this Reply Brief on  
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